

LA QUINTA CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT 2015 First Quarter Report



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44-555 ADAMS STREET
LA QUINTA, CA 92253
(760) 345-6932**

1. Battalion Chief – Alex Gregg

**STATION 93 (NORTH LA QUINTA)
44-555 ADAMS STREET
LA QUINTA, CA 92253
(760) 564-4351**

Engine Company 93

1. Fire Captain – Eric Cisney
2. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Matthew McDonald
3. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Dustin Reed
4. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Mark Birchard
5. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Brian Steiger
6. Firefighter II/Paramedic –
7. Firefighter II – Noe Lerma
8. Firefighter II – Sean Tauscher

**STATION 32 (LA QUINTA)
78-111 AVENUE 52
LA QUINTA, CA 92253
(760) 564-4351**

Engine Company 32

1. Fire Captain – Anthony Khatami
2. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Jason Lewandowski
3. Fire Apparatus Engineer/Paramedic – Nick Groff
4. Firefighter II/Paramedic – John Barton
5. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Albert Causey
6. Firefighter II/Paramedic –
7. Firefighter II – Seth Shively
8. Firefighter II – Michael Prall

**STATION 70 (PGA WEST)
54001 MADISON STREET
LA QUINTA, CA 92253
(760) 564-2122**

Engine Company 70

1. Fire Captain – Gil Barrier
2. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Larry Johnson
3. Fire Apparatus Engineer/Paramedic – Tim Day
4. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Brandon Avner
5. Firefighter II/Paramedic – John Godwin
6. Firefighter II/Paramedic – Corbin Reinhart
7. Firefighter II – Vernon Cowins
8. Firefighter II – Steven Stock

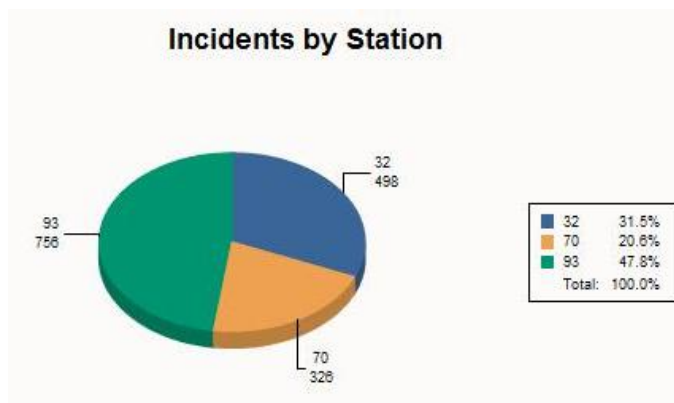
**TRUCK 86
46-990 JACKSON ST.
INDIO, CA 92201
(760) 347-0726**

Truck Company 86

1. Fire Captain – Justin Scribner
2. Fire Captain – Dave Hudson
3. Fire Captain – Darrel Anderson
4. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Mark Greenway
5. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Shane Miller
6. Fire Apparatus Engineer – Todd Christensen
7. Firefighter II – Chris Meneses
8. Firefighter II – Travis Ames
9. Firefighter II – Matt Adams
10. Firefighter II – Darren Clowers
11. Firefighter II – Nick Yuhas
12. Firefighter II – Oscar Lara

FIRST QUARTER RESPONSE REPORT

JANUARY – MARCH 2015



| | Structure | Other Fire | Medical | Hazard / F | Others | Total |
|--------------|-----------|------------|--------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| 32 | 6 | 56 | 396 | 8 | 32 | 498 |
| 70 | 11 | 71 | 210 | 5 | 29 | 326 |
| 93 | 22 | 123 | 560 | 16 | 35 | 756 |
| Total | 28 | 207 | 1,135 | 27 | 93 | 1,490 |

Truck Report

Truck 86 recorded 22 responses into the City of La Quinta during the first quarter of 2015 broken down by category below.

- 1- Commercial Fire
- 8- False Alarm
- 2- Medical
- 3- Public Service Assist
- 1- Residential Fire
- 2- Rescue
- 3- Standby
- 4- Traffic Collision

Significant Events

1/29/15: Firefighters from La Quinta and Indio were called to the scene of a traffic collision at Hwy. 111 and Depot Dr. extensive extrication was required for 1 critically injured victim who was flown to Desert Hospital from the scene.

2/1/15: Firefighters from La Quinta and Indio were called to the scene of a hiker in medical distress on the Cove to Lake Trail. Once assessed by Fire Department Paramedics it was determined the hiker would need to be flown out due to their condition. CALFIRE Helicopter 301 was utilized to extract the hiker from the trail where the hiker was transferred to a waiting ambulance and transported to JFK hospital for further treatment.

2/2/15: Firefighters from La Quinta and Indio were called to the scene of a hiker in medical distress on the Cove to Lake Trail. Once assessed by Fire Department Paramedics it was determined the hiker would need to be flown out due to their condition. CHP Helicopter 60 was utilized to extract the hiker from the trail where the hiker was transferred to a waiting ambulance and transported to JFK hospital for further treatment.

3/25/15: Firefighters and equipment from all three La Quinta stations provided assistance to Indio on a two alarm structure fire in a three story apartment complex.

Administrative Reports

Ronald Griesinger, Fire Safety Specialist

During the first quarter of 2015 a total of 198 original fire life safety inspections were conducted along with 13 re-inspections for code compliance. It was noted a majority of business were found to be in compliance with current fire life safety requirements. Of the noncompliant occupancies several automatic fire sprinkler systems were found to be in need of current 5 year re certifications, alarm and monitoring systems were found to be in need of maintained or repair, commercial hood, duct and fire extinguishing systems in need of cleaning and re certification.

Weekly project review meetings were held with discussion focused on special development permits, tentative track maps, temporary use permits, special events permits and current projects up dates.

Accomplishments:

- Automatic fire sprinkler systems were inspected and re certified
- Alarm and monitoring systems were inspected and or repaired, currently functioning as designed

- Commercial hood, duct and fire extinguishing systems were cleaned serviced and tagged as required
- 9th annual custom car and hotrod show food booths were inspected with no violations
- Inspection of La Quinta art's festival revealed no violations event occurred without incident
- Inspection of fireworks display at hideaway country club indicated no violations fireworks show went off without incident

Tawny Castro, Emergency Services Coordinator

Conducted meetings in February and March with the La Quinta CERT group; monthly meetings will be held on the last Tuesday of each month. Tawny is currently working on records collection to evaluate the training needs for City Staff and CERT members as well as determining hardware and software needs for the City EOC. OES staff completed CERT training for students at La Quinta High School in January. A CERT training class for La Quinta residents is scheduled for the second week of May. Tawny has also completed grant writing training that will be beneficial in securing funds for the City CERT and OES programs.

March saw changes in some of our personnel. Engineer Robert Davis from Station 32 and Engineer Kirk Huettner from Station 70 both accepted Captain Promotion opportunities within the County; we wish them well in their new endeavors. Replacing them will be newly promoted Larry Johnson to Station 70, Jason Lewandowski to Station 32 and once he returns from his training Nick Groff will be filling our vacant Medic Engineer position.

Training & Community Activities

The La Quinta firefighters training for the quarter included live fire control training in Blythe and Indio. The training topics included Command and Control, Hose Deployment, Water Supply/Hydraulics, Search and Rescue, Ventilation, and Firefighter Survival. Units also conducted Hazmat and Structure Fire Behavior during in service training and at the Roy Wilson Training Center. As well as Multi-Casualty Incident training at Palms Springs FD and MCI/WMD training at the Empire polo grounds in preparation for this year's music festivals.

On March 24th Station 32 hosted a fire station tour to 90 preschool children



Engine 32 at Fire Control Training in Blythe



Engine 32 at Fire Control Training in Blythe

EXPLORER ACTIVITY REPORT

LA QUINTA CITY

January – March 2015

The La Quinta Fire Explorers has been staying busy and productive with training and participating in local community events. January the explorer post welcomed 7 new explorers to our post. They are currently going through their Level 1 training, which consist of department rank and structure, firefighter safety and basic fire behavior. The explorers also participated at the Humana Golf Tournament. They helped with setting up the first aid tent, handing out bandages and assisting the on-duty staff.

Along with their regular training the explorer post has been preparing to compete in the City of Murrieta Fire Explorer Muster, taking place on April 19th. This will be our fifth year competing. The Explorers will compete in four different events; the bucket brigade, the two minute drill, the dummy drag and the make and break hose drills.



Members of Post 693 Fire Explorers

